Student Librarian At Work

Gail Webb, senior of Appomattox High, is the first DE student (Distributive Education) to work at the county library, she is shown, at the Farmers National Bank window arranging the current display of books under this year's Library Week slogan, "Reading Is the Key." Gail types catalogue cards, mends books, collects fines and is an all-round "good worker" according to librarian, Mrs. Vi Harwood. Also in the display is a painting of the library by local artist Ed Hopkinson, who termed the library, "the most architecturally true example of 18th century architecture" in this area.

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OBITUARIES

Arris Walker Covington

Arris Walker Covington, 69, died at his home, Route 3, Appomattox, at 12:10 a.m. Wednesday, April 22 following a brief illness. He was a retired farmer, born in Appomattox County, Oct 2, 1894, the son of William James and Lily Abbitt Covington, both deceased. He was a member of New Hope Baptist Church. He is survived by his widow, Ira Ferguson Covington; one daughter, Mrs. Harry B. Randall, Salt Lake City, Utah; one son, Arris Beryl Covington, Goldsboro, N. C.; one sister, Mrs. R. A. Covington, Roanoke; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 3 p.m. from New Hope Baptist Church. Burial will take place in the church cemetery.

The body will be at the Robinson Funeral Home, Appomattox until one hour before the service at New Hope Church.

William H. Comer

GLADSTONE—William Henry Comer, 61, died Monday morning at his home. He was born in Millbury, Mass., the son of Patrick J. and Ellen Morris Comer. He was a machinist for C& O Railroad, a Navy veteran of World War II and a member of Amherst American Legion Post.

Survivors include his wife, Edith McCormick Comer, of Gladstone; one step-son, Milton W. Puskett, of Richmond; two step-daughters, Mrs. Henry Calvin Bryant, of Germany; three brothers, Jack, Jimmy and Thomas Comer, all of Providence, R.I.; one sister, Katherine Comer, of Providence, R. I. and five step-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at Robinson Funeral Home in Appomattox. Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. that day in Oakwood Cemetery in Richmond.

Officiating minister will be Rev. G. M. Proffitt. Pallbearers will be Leo Quinn, William Quinn, Forrest Banton, C. D. McCormick, Allen Carroll, Roy Carroll.

Mrs. W. R. Seay

Mrs. Sue Stratton Seay, of 253 Norfolk Ave., wife of William Rose Seay, died at 10 a.m. Sunday in Virginia Baptist Hospital following a six week illness. She was born in Appomattox County the daughter of Wilbur Peter and Mollie Anderson Stratton. She was a member of Court Street Methodist Church and treasurer of the Fidelity Sunday School Class.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a brother, Samuel M. Stratton, of Mullens, W. Va.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Tuesday from the Court Street Methodist Church in Lynchburg with burial in Spring Hill Cemetery.

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Church News

Bible Baptist Church

The Sunday School lesson for this Sunday will be in the 9th Chapter of Acts with the "Conversion of Saul of Tarsus."

The message for the Morning Service will be "Saved, but not a Christian". The pastor is conducting a series of messages on the book of Revelation.

The public is cordially invited to attend this prophetic messages.

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Lions-Jaycees Plan Horse Show

LIONS and JAYCEES of Appomattox are once again laying plans for their annual Horse Show to be held this year on Saturday, May 30, at the Ball Park, just east of town on Rt. 460. There will be two performances — at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Lions' chairman is L. E. Thomas, Jaycee co-chairman is Bobby Mitchell.

More than $1,000 in cash prizes plus trophies and ribbons await the winners in the eight different divisions of the show.

The show is operated in accordance with the current rules of the Virginia Horse Shows Association.

Amateurs as well as Horse Show Association members may enter various classes.

In the Walking Horse Division the Championship Stake Winner will receive the Watkins M. Abbitt Challenge Trophy. T. M. Trent, after three consecutive wins, retired the trophy in 1962, then replaced it in the name of the original donor. Lincoln Shelton, of Chatham, won the trophy in '63.

A Leadline Class, a Parade Class and others will give even the youngest riders an opportunity to be in the show.

For spectators there will be the excitement of well groomed, well trained horses — with the colorful trappings that mark a horse show.

Refreshments will be offered by the Appomattox Rescue Squad.

Vera

Cpl. Kenneth W. Gobble visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gobble over the Corporal Gobble is serving in Vietnam Duty at Fort Petersburg for thirty days and Mrs. Eddie L. Carpenter is Gobble and Lewis carried Corporal Gobble to Fort Lee Sunday.

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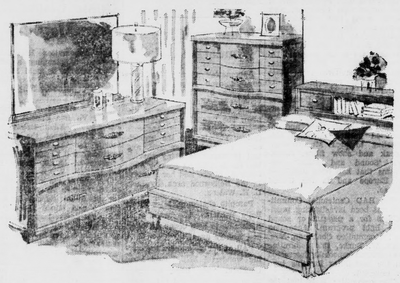

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W. E. Chenault Named Junior Vice-Dist., Alice Kyle Dist., V.F.W.C.

Mrs. William Chenault of Appomattox has been elected the Junior Director for the District of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

There are eight (8) districts in Virginia. The Alice Kyle District is composed of 12 counties, Buckingham, Appomattox, Prince Edward, Cumberland, Amelia, Nottoway, Campbell, Charlotte, Pittsylvania, Halifax, Mecklenburg and Lunenburg. Their are 12 Junior Clubs in the District with 480 members. There are 124 Junior Clubs in Virginia with a total membership of 4,649.

Mrs. Chenault is a native of Nelson County and a graduate of Lovingston High School. She is employed with the Bank of Appomattox. The Chenaults have three children, Pamela, 9; Kaye Michaele, 7; William Ernest, Jr., 3. They live at 501 High Street in Appomattox and are members of Liberty Baptist Church. Mrs. Chenault is a member of Appomattox Elementary School P.T.A. She is now serving as Worthy Matron of Appomattox Chapter No. 10 O.E.S., she is chairman of the Business District for the Cancer Drive, she is president of the Joanna Maiden Circle and Y.W.A. Director of Liberty Baptist Church and is a member of the Appomattox Country Club.

The new director is quite familiar with Club work. She is a charter member of the Appomattox Jr. Woman's Club. She served as Treasurer during 1958-59-1960 and was President of the Club during 1961-63. This year she is serving as District Chairman for the "Stamps for the Wounded" and in her local club she is co-chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. She was co-Chairman of the "Miss Appomattox Pageant" which was held April 10.

Mrs. Chenault's new office entails such duties as promoting Federation projects in the District and carrying out the Federation motto "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty." Each club in the district sends the reports to her and she is turn is responsible for seeing that the reports are mailed to Virginia Federation of Woman's Club for points.

The Va. Federation is affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Chenault, in telling of the work of the Virginia Federation said that the Jr. State project for 1962-1964 is the "Mental, Physical & Emotional Development of American Youth". She said that in the early days of the General Federation, that Junior Club members helped to bring about reforms leading to the hour working day, also, the first Federal Child Labor Law and the "Pure Food and Drug Act."

Mrs. Chenault was installed at the Junior Luncheon at the V. F.W.C. Convention in Richmond on Thursday, April 16.

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Schrock Tells Of Sweeney's Cat, And Early Days Of Appomattox

A village — a county — and a river. All named "Appomattox", and all three the subject of a talk before the Daughters of the American Revolution by Duane Schrock, member of the Interpretative Staff, Appomattox Court House National Historical Park.

Schrock spoke also to the P-TA of Appomattox Elementary School telling both gatherings that the Appomattox Indians, for which the village, county, and river were named, were a part of the Powhatan Confederation. At times, he said the Appomattox Indians had a village about one mile from the mouth of the Appomattox River. It is believed that they came into the area to hunt.

Schrock traced the beginning of white settlement in this area to 1705 when land grants were offered at five shillings for 50 acres, (About 60 to 70 cents for 50 acres.) Tobacco a major crop in the old days, he said, plus the very necessary "grist mill". "There's nothing modern about 'do it yourself'," said Schrock, speaking of the handiness and resourcefulness of these pioneers.

Stage Coaches and Clover Hill

Two brothers, Alexander and Lilbourne Patteson brought the Richmond - Lynchburg Stage Line to what was later to become the old village of Appomattox Court House. They extended the stage line in 1811, then built Clover Hill Tavern in 1819, which is still standing.

Appomattox County was formed in 1835 from Prince Edward, Charlotte, Buckingham, and Campbell counties, largely because farmers had to go so far to transact legal matters, Schrock said.

Tale of Two Cats

Schrock told of a contest between Asburn and Joe Sweeney, famed banjo player of Appomattox. Sweeney was "undisputed winner" said Schrock. He played a guitar with his hands and his banjo with his feet.

Sweeney, credited with adding the fifth string to the banjo, killed a family cat to make his first banjo. When his mother threw his creation in the fire, Sweeney made another, but not before the family's grey cat had "disappeared" only to provide a "cat-hide" for his instrument.

Sweeney died in 1859, and his brother, Sam, achieved fame by playing for Southern troops during the War Between the eStates.

Clash in 1861

"The clash between North and South came in '61", said Schrock and Appomattox sent boys to become the 20th Battalion of Heavy Artillery, "The Appomattox Invincibles."

Schrock said that Joel W. Flood, was the first captain of Co. H Second Virginia Cavalry. Schrock quoted R. S. Henry in his description of Reconstruction Days as a "long, drawn-out tragedy of misunderstanding."

1894 Ball Game

Schrock descrimed a Farmville train excursion to Appomattox which took place in 1894. Pamplin won a ball game against Farmville, 8 to 2, said Schrock

Old Bricks and $25

The "new Court House in present day Appomattox was made in part from 70,700 bricks from the Old Court House which burned in 1894. Two men did the work, and each one received $25.60 for his work.

"Appomattox, famous throughout the world, has given its young men to many causes, said Schrock. "Appomattox, which helped the nation unite, has helped keep our nation indivisible.

New Bridge Club

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The newly organized Bridge Club met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ed Cawthorne. Mrs. Louise Chandler was recipient of the high score prize with Mrs. Louise Lawson receiving the consolation prize. Mrs. K. E. Coleman was a guest of the club. A salad course was served the guests.

The Club consists of the following members: Mrs. Nancy Carson, Mrs. Barbara Cawthorne Mrs. Louise Chandler, Mrs. Norma Chuckel, Mrs. Ginny Fratrick, Mrs. Ellen Jamerson, Mrs. Anne Jones, Mrs. Louise Lawson, Mrs. Peggy Marshall, Mrs. Hattie Mathews, Mrs. Lorraine Montgomery, Mrs. Gladys Moon and Mrs. Lilly Sperry. The clubs meets every first and third Tuesday nights.

Red Cross Receives Generous Gifts; Ladies Day Planned

We take this opportunity to thank all of the leaders in the local churches and schools for their support in the Red Cross Drive. A total of $258.38 was donated by the following churches and schools: Jordan Baptist Church, $36.01; Mount Shiloh, $30.25; Mount Airy, $26.00; Mount Zion $22.00 Promise Land, $20.00; Mt. Obed, $18.65; Galilee, $15.65; Caanan, $15.55; Mount Pleasant $11.15; Zion Baptist, $9.10; Springfield, $6.00; Peaceful Grove, $5.65; Gravel Hill, $2.00; The Carver Price School $36.79 and the Stonewall School, $4.20.

A large crowd attended the fourth anniversary of the Galilee Jr. Choir last Sunday evening at 3 p.m. Miss Carol Andrews, president of the choir served as mistress of ceremony. The following program was carried out in an effective manner: Opening selection. audience; Prayer, Little Miss Deitta Lewis; Scripture Lesson, Miss Pauline Gafford; Welcome address, Miss Jaunita Laving; history of the choir, Miss Nancy Moore. The following local choirs rendered two musical selections: First Baptist, Jordan, Caanan; Springfield, Pleasant Valley and Mount Airy. The general offering was taken by Mr. Lindsay Fleshman and Miss Ann Gafford. Remarks were given by the pastor and the sponsor Mrs. Dorothy Stevens.

The public is cordially invited to attend the annual Ladies Day program of the Church Aid Club of the Galilee Baptist Church on the first Sunday in May at 3 p. m. The Rev. Graham Marshall and his St. Andrew Baptist Church Choir will be the special guest.

The public is cordially invited to worship at the Promise Land Baptist Church this Sunday at the regular preaching hour.

The regular Carver Price P.T. A. will be held at the Carver Price High School this Monday evening, April 27 at 7:30. The president Rev. J. W. Paige is asking all members to be present. The entertainment committee has a special feature at the close of the regular business session.

A large crowd of relatives and friends attended the funeral services for the late Mrs. Betty Venable Daniels at the Mount Zion Baptist Church in Red House last Saturday at 1 p.m. The Rev. R. Q. Lawing, pastor of the Galilee Baptist Church officiated and delivered the eulogy, Rev. H. L. Higgins assisted.

A special musical program will be held at the Jordan Baptist Church this Sunday evening at 7:30.

The Promise Land Baptist Church and pastor have been invited to render services at the Mount Zion Baptist Church on the first Sunday night in May at 7:30.

The public is cordially invited to attend May Day exercises at the Carver Price High School, Friday, May 8 beginning at 8:30. A ball game will climax the days activities.

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Junior Director Also Chaplain

Mrs. Billy Chenault, of Appomattox, was installed as junior director of the Alice Kyle district at the 57th Annual Convention of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs held at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond. The installation took place at the Junior Luncheon.

On the evening prior to the installation, Mrs. Eugene Byrd, outgoing junior director for this district, held open - house in honor of Mrs. Chenault.

Mrs. Thomas H. Caffrey, junior state director, has appointed Mrs. Chenault to fill the position of chaplain, a newly created office. The office was created, Mrs. Cafrey said ,because her administration will stress religion in home life.

Attending the convention, besides Mrs. Chenault, were Mrs. Fred Lawson, President of the Appomattox Junior Club, and Mrs. R. David Jones, delegate to the convention.

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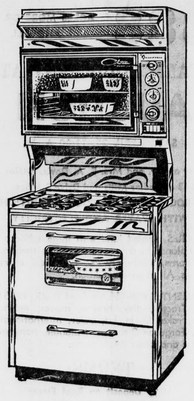

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